

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:

a pair of substrates;

a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal; and

a pair of orientation films provided adjacent to and between said pair of substrates respectively and having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,

wherein said orientation films have a surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more,

wherein spacing between said substrates is less than 3.5 μ m, [[and]]

wherein the liquid crystal layer is in contact with the orientation films having the surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more, and

wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films.

7. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 6 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

8. (Original) A device according to claim 6 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

9. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 6 further comprising:
a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and

a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

10. (Original) A device according to claim 6 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

11. (Original) A device according to claim 6 wherein said orientation directions are rubbing directions.

12. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:

a pair of substrates;

a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal, said liquid crystal comprising molecules aligned substantially in one direction throughout a thickness of said liquid crystal layer; and

a pair of orientation films provided adjacent to and between said pair of substrates respectively and having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,

wherein said orientation films have a surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more,

wherein spacing between said substrates is less than 3.5 μ m, [[and]]

wherein the liquid crystal layer is in contact with the orientation films having the surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more, and

wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films.

13. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 12 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

14. (Original) A device according to claim 12 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

15. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 12 further comprising:
a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and
a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

16. (Original) A device according to claim 12 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

17. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a pair of substrates;
a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal; and
~~a pair of orientation films provided adjacent to and between said pair of substrates respectively and having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,~~
wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films, and
wherein spacing between said substrates is less than $3.5\mu\text{m}$, and
~~wherein a number of the orientation films is two.~~

18. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

19. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

20. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 further comprising:
a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and
a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

21. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

22. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein said orientation directions are rubbing directions.

23. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:

a pair of substrates;

a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal; and

~~a pair of orientation films provided adjacent to and between said pair of substrates respectively and having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,~~
wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films.

~~wherein a number of the orientation films is two.~~

24. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

25. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

26. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 further comprising:

a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and

a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

27. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

28. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein said orientation directions are rubbing directions.

29. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein almost all liquid crystal molecules of the liquid crystal layer are substantially aligned in one direction.

30. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein almost all liquid crystal molecules of the liquid crystal layer are substantially aligned in one direction.